



Merivale School

Te Kura o Tūtarawānanga



Matuatia Te Ako



Learning First

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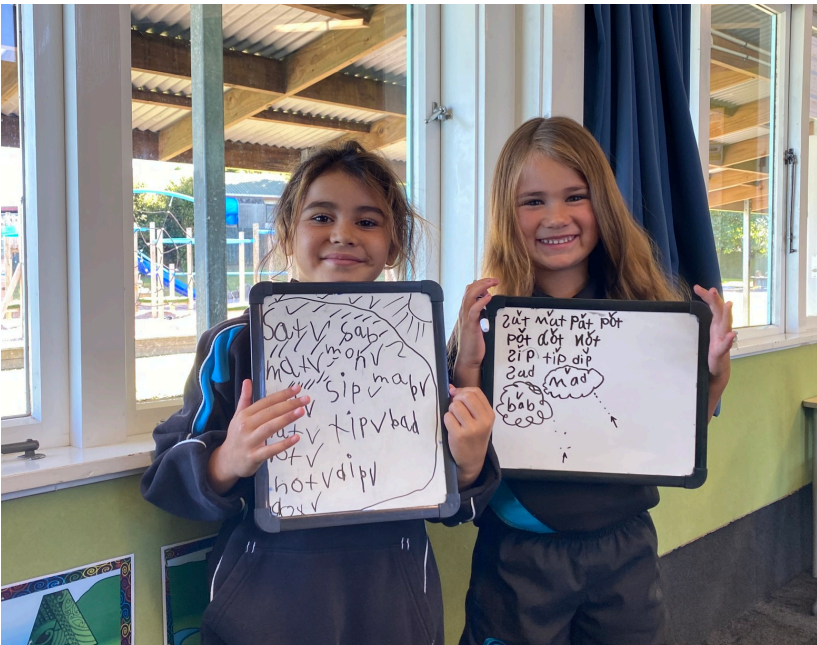
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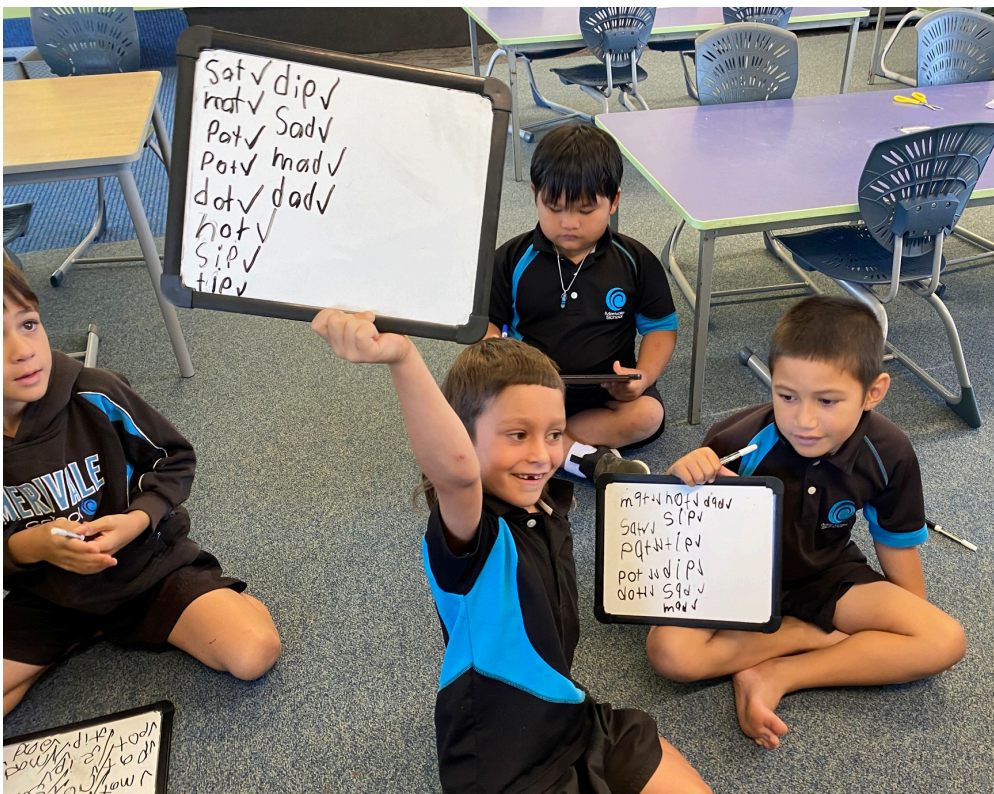
Fun summer days playing outside at school

WEEK 3
WEEK 4

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
12 Feb	13 Feb MEET THE TEACHER AFTER SCHOOL	14 Feb	15 Feb	16 Feb	17 Feb	18 Feb
19 Feb	20 Feb	21 Feb	22 Feb	23 Feb	24 Feb	25 Feb



Spelling practice fun in Room 4 using phonics.



Health & Well Being :

A reminder that we have the school based **Throat-Swabbing - Rheumatic Fever** programme and also the **Kiri Ora Skin Health** programme operating in our school.

The Strep A bacteria can lead to Rheumatic Fever and may be found in sore throats and skin infections. If left untreated it can lead to Rheumatic Heart Disease.

Rheumatic Fever and Rheumatic Heart Disease are highly preventable.

The Strep Throat programme will consist of a simple swab being taken of your child's throat.

The Kiri Ora programme will consist of an assessment of sore/s.

This service will be offered to all students at the school.

If you wish to **opt your child out** of this programme, can you please complete an opt-off form at the school office.

- **School sores - we have had a few cases of school sores since we returned from the holidays. If your child is infected with sores they must come to school with them covered and please make sure you are getting treatment for them. The above programme can help with this.**
- **Headlice – we have also noticed an increase in cases of headlice since the holidays. It would be great if everyone could check their children's hair and treat where necessary please. Reminder that we have free product here at school.**

SCHOOL LUNCHES:

Reminder that free school lunches are provided for all students if they would like them.

There is a new, nutritious and exciting hot menu for them to try.

ATTENDANCE:

Attendance continues to be a focus for us this year along with all other schools in the Western Bay of Plenty.

Every students attendance at school is being tracked.

All tamariki who attend school for the week without missing a day will get their name displayed on Whaea Heather's window.

Their name will then go into a draw for a special lunch provided by Matua Tom.

Follow our face book page with different attendance posts.



Kia ora parents, caregivers and whanau,

This is our first full week of school and we are really excited with what it is shaping up to be. A few notices to be aware of this week:

Meet The Teacher Hui.

Thank you to all those that came to kura and met with our staff last night. It was great having such an awesome turnout.

If there are any queries that you might have, please do not hesitate to contact your child's teacher or the office.

Kapahaka.

Whaea Josie is back and taking kapa haka for the whole school every **Monday**.

Seniors are from **12pm to 1pm** and Juniors from **1.50pm to 2.20pm**.

Uniforms.

These are compulsory for all students and can be purchased at the office. Hats are also compulsory in Term 1 and 4 for shadeless work or play. For an invoice, please ask Whaea Jan or Whaea Karen in the office. If you have any concerns regarding uniforms, please contact me directly.

School Stationery Packs.

All stationery is to be purchased through the office.

The stationery packs, depending on classrooms, are \$20 or \$25.

Again, should you require an invoice, please contact Whaea Jan or Whaea Karen. If you have any concerns, please contact me directly.

Attendance.

Please keep on to your child about being at school unless they are unwell. We got to 82% last week. We know we can do better. Kura - Let's do this!

Mauriora,
Matua Tom

Meet the
TEACHER



yay - Kapa Haka for the whole school this term.